UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT
GULF OF MEXICO REGION

ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION REPORT

For Public Release

1. OCCURRED
DATE: 05-JUN-2014 TIME: 1400 HOURS

2. OPERATOR: Union Oil Company of California
REPRESENTATIVE:
TELEPHONE:

3. OPERATOR/CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE/SUPERVISOR ON SITE AT TIME OF INCIDENT:

4. LEASE: G00989
AREA: EI
LATITUDE:
BLOCK: 276
LONGITUDE:

5. PLATFORM: C
RIG NAME:

6. ACTIVITY:
EXPLORATION (POE)

7. TYPE:
[ ] HISTORIC INJURY
[ ] REQUIRED EVACUATION
1
LTA (1-3 days)
LTA (>3 days)
RW/JT (1-3 days)
RW/JT (>3 days)
Other Injury

[ ] FATALITY
[ ] POLLUTION
[ ] FIRE
[ ] EXPLOSION

LWC
HISTORIC BLOWOUT
UNDERGROUND
SURFACE
DEVERTER
SURFACE EQUIPMENT FAILURE OR PROCEDURES
COLLISION
HISTORIC
>$25K
<=$25K

8. CAUSE:
[ ] EQUIPMENT FAILURE
[ ] HUMAN ERROR
[ ] EXTERNAL DAMAGE
[ ] SLIP/TRIP/FALL
[ ] WEATHER RELATED
[ ] LEAK
[ ] UPSET H2O TREATING
[ ] OVERBOARD DRILLING FLUID
[ ] OTHER

9. WATER DEPTH: 168 FT.

10. DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 51 MI.

11. WIND DIRECTION:
SPEED: M.P.H.

12. CURRENT DIRECTION:
SPEED: M.P.H.

13. SEA STATE: FT.
On June 05, 2014 at approximately 1400 hours, an employee was injured while attempting to check if a valve was leaking on the top of a test separator.

The injured employee (IE) was passing the test separator when he noticed the 1" vent line may have been leaking. The employee walked next to the vessel and stood between two 2" pieces of pipe that were less than a foot from the deck.

The IE reached over the vessel to check a valve on the vent line. As the IE was attempting to step away from the piping, he lost his footing and came in contact with a blind flange on the process piping injuring his ribs. The IE was transported to a medical facility where he was diagnosed with two fractured ribs.

The BSEE Lafayette District conducted an onsite investigation on June 06, 2014

18. LIST THE PROBABLE CAUSE(S) OF ACCIDENT:

The IE failed to observe his surroundings for possible trip hazards prior to attempting to depart the area.

19. LIST THE CONTRIBUTING CAUSE(S) OF ACCIDENT:

20. LIST THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. PROPERTY DAMAGED:

   NATURE OF DAMAGE:

   None

   N/A

ESTIMATED AMOUNT (TOTAL):  $

22. RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT RECURRANCE NARRATIVE:

   The BSEE Lafayette District office makes no recommendations to the Office of Safety Management (OSM).

23. POSSIBLE OCS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO ACCIDENT:  NO

24. SPECIFY VIOLATIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTRIBUTING. NARRATIVE:

   N/A

26. ONSITE TEAM MEMBERS: 
   Raymond Johnson / Wade Guillotte / 
   John Mouton / 

29. ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION PANEL FORMED: NO

OCS REPORT:

30. DISTRICT SUPERVISOR: 
   Elliott S. Smith

APPROVED DATE: 24–JUL–2014